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Act 2

IS... THIS...
A WARN-ING...?
OR A THREAT ...?
AND FROM WHO...?
EWAN?
HIDE
WHAT'S WRONG? YOU LOOK KIND OF PALE...
IT'S NOTH-ING...
UHMM...

IS IT THAT KIND OF QUAKE AGAIN...?
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WHAT WILL THIS CASTLE CHANGE NOW...?
HEY!
THAT SIDE IS BLOCKED NOW!
WE LOST XAN AUDUPON TOO!
WELL EITHER WAY, WE CAN'T GO BACK TO THE DINING HALL.
IT COULD BE THAT THE PATH WE USED TO GET HERE ISN'T THERE ANY-MORE.
BUT RIGHT NOW, THE OTHER SIDE IS...
THIS ORIGINAL PATH...

UWAAAH !!
THAT'S ...!!
WHEN DID THE WATER GET UP TO HERE ...?!
WHAT SHOULD WE DO? COULD IT BE THAT XAN DIDN'T SEE THIS AND DROWNED?!
AREN'T YOU REALLY UNDERESTIMATING MR. AUDUBON?!
NO, IF IT'S HIM, HE WOULD'VE HEADED BACK BEFORE THE WATER REACHED HIS ANKLES...
I'M RIGHT HERE YOU KNOW, EWAN.
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XAN!
COUGH!
COUGH!
A SECRET DOOR? WHY WOULD YOU BE IN THERE...?
COME ON OUT.

COUGH
ISN'T SHE...
THE GIRL I BUMPED INTO EARLIER BACK AT THE ROOM WITH THE CORPSE...!?
.....

I ENTERED THIS SECRET PASSAGE WHILE FOLLOWING HER FOOTSTEPS.
COULD IT BE... THAT THIS LADY IS THE EMPEROR'S LAST CANDI-DATE...?
WAIT A MINUTE...
.....
YOU'RE SUPER CUTE!
REALLY? THAT'S GOOD TO HEAR.
LAW-RENCE?

ANYWAYS, YOU SHOULD INTRODUCE YOURSELF TO EVERYONE...
?
I DON'T THINK WE HAVE THE TIME.
SEEMS LIKE THIS FLOOR
WILL BE FLOODED WITH WATER SOON.

IF ONLY THERE WAS A WAY TO GO UP A FLOOR...
...PLEASE COME THIS WAY.
RIGHT HERE.
IF WE HEAD OUT THROUGH HERE, WOULD THERE BE STAIRS?
ANOTHER SECRET PASSAGE ...?
I WONDER WHERE IN THE CASTLE THIS LEADS TO...
DOESN'T IT SEEM LIKE... SHE KNOWS A LOT ABOUT THE CASTLE?
.....

SO... WHERE'S THE STAIRWAY IN THIS GRAND HALL?
OVER THERE.
THERE'S A WAY TO GO UP BEYOND THAT EXIT...?
HMN...
IN SHORT, OUR ONLY CHOICE IS TO GO IN THERE.
HURRY!
ISN'T THIS THE GRAND ASSEMBLY ROOM...?
HUH? EVEN IF IT'S MADE FROM PAPER MACHE, THE WORK IS RATHER ELABORATE.
THIS PLACE TRULY IS "THE THOUSAND YEAR LABY-RINTH"...
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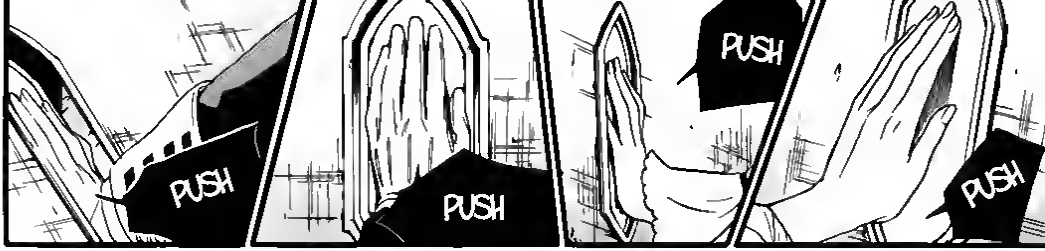
DAMMIT, LET'S HURRY UP!
AH!
EWAN!
WATER IS ALREADY STARTING TO FILL HERE...
IT'S A DEAD END...?
HUH?

THERE WAS A STORY ABOUT ONCE WHEN THE LAST IGNIS EMPEROR INVITED THE SEVEN LORDS INTO THE CASTLE TO TEST THEIR WITS...
SEEMS LIKE PRESSING THIS WON'T EASILY OPEN IT.
THIS IS... A SIMPLE CONTRAP-TION.
TAP
HOW SHOULD WE OPEN THE DOOR...
THIS WAS PROBABLY ONE OF THE TESTS...
AH... NOTHING SPECIAL.
HUH? THAT'S WEIRD.
T-TILAS!?
WHICH REMINDS ME, MR. THIEF OVER THERE!
DID YOU FIND ANYTHING VALUABLE TO STEAL?

...THEY LOOKED SO SERIOUS, AND HERE I THOUGHT THEY WERE THINKING ABOUT SOMETHING.
THESE GUYS ARE JUST PLAYING A DICE GAME.
IT'S A GAME POPULAR IN JAILS, "SET OCULUS".
ARE THE DICE NUMBERS TWO?
HOW DID YOU KNOW!?
SET OCULUS IS A GAME WHERE YOU TRY TO GET THE SAME NUMBER ON EACH DICE.
WERE THE LORDS TRYING TO BET ON DICE NUMBERS...?
ANOTHER QUESTION, FROM THAT ANGLE, DOES THE TABLE LOOK LIKE SOMETHING?
HMN.
SEEMS LIKE IT'S NOT A DIFFICULT RIDDLE.
IN OTHER WORDS, WE JUST HAVE TO BE THE DICE NUMBER.
AH... THE DESIGN LOOKS KIND OF LIKE A... COMPASS...?

GET TWO PEOPLE PER ROOM AND PRESS THE BUTTON.
THE DOOR SHOULD THEN OPEN!!
HURRY! THE WATER IS ALREADY UP TO OUR ANKLES!
WAH...
UWAH, WHY IS THE ANNOYING BASTARD DETECTIVE IN HERE?!
IT WAS CLEARLY YOU WHO ENTERED AFTER ME.
RATHER... COMPARED TO SOLVING THE PUZZLE, DECIDING WHO TO DO THIS WITH WILL PROBABLY DECIDE OUR FATE...
HMN?
THEN EVERYONE, LET'S PRESS THE BUTTONS TOGETHER...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IT'S A SIMPLE PROB-LEM.
AH... THAT'S BECAUSE..
WE TOTALLY FORGOT...
PUSH
W-WHY?
THIS NEEDS THE SEVEN LORDS PLUS THE EMPEROR, A TOTAL OF EIGHT TO OPEN.
BUT FOR US, WE ALREADY HAVE ONE DEAD...
NOTHING HAPPEN!

IF YOU KNEW THEN SAY THAT FIRST!! WHAT SHOULD WE DO NOW?!
THAT'S ALSO EASY.
OTHER THAN ONES WITH THE SAME NUMBER, THE OTHERS AREN'T WANTED.
SO...? WHAT ARE YOU TRYING TO SAY?
!
WE HAVE TO PAIR UP EVENLY TO ACTIVATE THE MECHANISM.
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VI
IX
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WHICH MEANS...
I THINK...
THE SET OCULUS IS A GAME WHERE YOU TRY TO GET THE SAME NUMBER ON EACH DICE.
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OTHER THAN THE SAME NUMBERS, OTHER VALUES CAN'T BE COUNTED AS POINTS.
WE HAVE TO LEAVE SOMEONE BEHIND...!?
NO WAY!
THIS FLOOR WILL SOON BE FLOODED, IF YOU GET LEFT BEHIND, YOU'RE GOING TO DIE!
BUT THERE'S NO TIME TO FIND ANOTHER WAY,
IF WE DON'T LEAVE SOMEONE HERE, THEN EVERYONE WILL DIE.
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I GUESS THE ME WITHOUT A PAIR...
HAS TO BE LEFT BEHIND...?
STOP TALKING NON-SENSE!!
THERE MUST BE ANOTHER WAY!
DON'T WORRY
THERE'S NO ONE HERE THAT WOULD LEAVE A GIRL BEHIND.
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BUT... WHO ARE WE GOING TO...
IF THERE'S A HOLE IN THE CEILING, I COULD ...
THERE'S NO TIME, ALLOW ME...
THE FLOOR...

COME OVER HERE!!
HURRY!
EWAN?!
NO! EWAN IS RIGHT! LET'S TRY THIS OUT!
WHAT?
!?

WE JUST HAVE TO MAKE TWO PEOPLE BECOME ONE, THAT'S ALL...!!

THAT'S RIGHT, JUST HAVE TO LET THE MECHANISM THINK IT'S ONE PERSON!
IT PROBABLY USES WEIGHT TO BE MORE ACCURATE.
THEN EWAN AND THE LADY COULD PASS FOR A SINGLE PERSON
THEN THIS TIME FOR SURE...!

THE EXIT IS STUCK...!?
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SHOULDN'T THIS OPEN ELSEWHERE ...?
.....
...DON'T WORRY.
I CAN HEAR THE GEARS MOVING, IT SHOULD OPEN SOON.
...EWAN.
IF YOU THINK SHE'S HEAVY, I CAN HOLD HER.
HUH?
IT'S OKAY.
A-AL-THOUGH, SHE IS HEAVIER THAN SHE SEEMS...
BY THE WAY...

MY NAME IS EWAN JUNO.
WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
...IT'S CATELYN!
CATELYN, HUH?
IT'S SUCH A CUTE NAME.
LAW-RENCE...?
?
!!
THIS IS...?
A HALLWAY...? IT'S QUITE NARROW...

A STAIR-WAY...!
WHERE ARE THE OTHERS?
IF WE KEEP WALKING, IT MIGHT LEAD TO THE PATHWAYS WHERE EVERYONE GOT SEPARATED TO.
LOOK!!
DESPITE HOW HE LOOKS, IT SEEMS LIKE HE'S VERY INTELLIGENT WHEN PUSHED TO THE EXTREMES...
HMPH!
WHAT PRINCESS? YOUR DUMB PERSONALITY IS SHOWING
NORMALLY HE'S BOTHER-SOME, A REAL EYESORE.
COMPARED TO THAT, THE SUDDEN APPEARANCE OF THAT GIRL...
THAT EWAN JUNO...
IF I KNEW THIS WOULD HAPPEN, I SHOULD'VE CARRIED THAT LITTLE PRIN-CESS!!

TIMING?
EVEN THOUGH I DON'T KNOW WHOSE FAMILY'S SHE BELONGS TO, HER TIMING IS TOO PERFECT.
RATHER, WHY DO EMPEROR'S CANDIDATES HAVE TO ENDURE SUCH TREACHERY...
HEY.
THERE'S SOME SORT OF RELATION...?
NO.
THE TIME WHEN AMADEUS FROCKHERT'S BODY WAS FOUND.
AH!
COULD IT BE...
IT DOESN'T MATTER WHETHER IT'S A RIDDLE OR MYSTERY GAME FOR YOU,
SHOULDN'T YOU WORRY ABOUT YOUR OWN SAFETY FIRST?
AH! THAT REMINDS ME, YOUR CUTE FOLLOWERS ARE STILL SITTING IN JAIL, RIGHT?

YOU USED A NASTY TRICK TO FOOL US.
DON'T YOU FUCKING DARE THINK YOU CAN SAFELY RETURN HOME, MESSIAH REED.
IT'S GREAT THAT WE CAN GET TO THE SECOND FLOOR, BUT DOESN'T IT LOOK LIKE ANOTHER DEAD END...?
WHERE... IS THIS?
IT'S SEEMS LIKE A VERY PLAIN GUEST ROOM.
WITH VERY PLAIN FURNITURE.
SO... WE STILL CAN'T MEET UP WITH THE OTHERS?
HMN.
HOLD ON.

HAHA, THEN I'VE GOT THIS ALL FIGURED OUT.
WHAT?
RELATING THE FOUR DOORS AND THE COMPASS.
WHAT'S WITH THIS DOOR...?
THERE'S TWO LETTERS "N" AND...
AN HOUR-GLASS?
EVEN THOUGH THE SAND SEEMS TO HAVE JUST STARTED FALLING DOWN THE HOUR-GLASS...
THE MECHANISM SHOULD'VE STARTED RIGHT WHEN WE ENTERED THE ROOM.
SEEMS LIKE WE'RE SPLIT INTO THREE OF THE FOUR NORTH, SOUTH, EAST, WEST ROOMS.
IN OTHER WORDS, WE ENTERED THE XII DOOR, LIKE ON THE COMPASS?
THE 12 O'CLOCK DIRECTION

DID I LOSE?
AN ARISTOCRATIC RESIDENCE THAT WELCOMED ME HAD THE SAME MECHANISM.
WHEN THE SAND FINISH TRICKLING AND THE DOOR OPENS, WE SHOULD BE ABLE TO MEET WITH EVERYONE,
COMPARED TO THIS HERE HEAVENLY-VOICED SINGER, SIMPLE CITIZENS WOULD JUST THINK SHE'S AN OVER-PROTECTED GIRL.
...COULD IT BE THAT YOU
I CAN ONLY SAY THAT...
REGARDING THE TRUTH ABOUT HER
ALSO KNOW SOMETHING ABOUT THAT GIRL?

OTHER THAN ME, THERE'S ONLY ONE OTHER PERSON THAT CAN'T BE FOOLED BY HER.
THIS WATER STILL SEEMS PRETTY FRESH...
I GUESS SOMEONE HAS ENTERED THIS CASTLE RECENTLY...?
HOPEFULLY, THE WATER WON'T FLOOD HERE BEFORE THE HOUR-GLASS DOOR OPENS...
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THEN... WHAT HAP-PENED TO THOSE TWO...?

STOP BEING SO SLOW, HURRY AND TAKE THIS OFF...
WAI-!
S-SORRY!

EWAN?! YOU GOT IT WRONG!!
AH, PLEASE DON'T MIND ME, BOTH OF YOU!
AH, IT REALLY IS MY WORSHIPPED "UNDEFEATED L.A."!
IT'S A MISUNDERSTANDING!!
AH, SO THE MARTIAL ARTS ASSEMBLY'S HERO SUDDENLY BECAME A LAME WOMANIZER, HUH?
YOU'RE WRONG!!
JUST!!
GIVE IT!!
A GOOD LOOK!!
NO, YOU DON'T NEED TO GAZE IN A WEIRD WAY!

SORRY...
I DIDN'T SEE...
HUH?
AH.
IT'S A GUY...
YOU'RE STARING, YOU KNOW?
YOU'RE SO FUNNY!
ALSO...
YOU'RE SO ROUGH
THIS IS MY CHILDHOOD FRIEND, HIS NAME IS AUGUST MORGAN, HE'S MALE.
NOT CATELYN
HE'S THE OWNER OF THIS CASTLE.

THE OWNER ...?
THAT'S RIGHT.
THIS CASTLE TRULY IS THE THOUSAND YEAR LABYRINTH OF THE IGNIS DINASTY!
THE TRAGIC STAGE OF THE CROWN PRINCE AND THE SEVEN LORDS THAT LOST THEIR LIVES FOUR HUNDRED YEARS AGO!
MY GREAT GRANDFATHER GOT THIS AS MORTGAGE FROM THE EMPEROR AT THE TIME.
ALSO RESTORED ALL OF THE GIMMICKS IN THIS ROTTING CASTLE. UNBELIEVABLE, RIGHT?
YOU SAID THIS WAS EASILY RESTORED...

BUT ISN'T IT A REALLY BIG PROJECT...?
YOU DIDN'T THINK OF ANYTHING WHEN I MENTIONED THE MORGAN FAMILY?
COULD IT BE THAT YOU LIVE IN THE COUNTRYSIDE?
HEH.
I'LL FORGIVE YOU SINCE I GOT TO MEET THE BLOCKHEADED LAWRENCE.
YOU DON'T NEED TO ADD THE BLOCKHEADED PART.
THE MORGAN FAMILY ...?
THE MORGAN FAMILY IS THE COUNTRY'S NUMBER ONE MAGNATES,
WITH THAT KIND OF MONEY, THEY HAVE THE POWER TO LOOK DOWN AT THE EMPEROR'S INFLUENCE.
THIS GUY IS THE HEIR OF THE MORGAN FAMILY.
...THAT'S RIGHT.

I WAS BORN A BUSINESSMAN,
I HAVE NO INTEREST IN BECOMING EMPEROR!
THEN WHY ARE YOU HERE?
AND DRESSED AS A GIRL...
I DON'T WANT OTHER PEOPLE TO KNOW THE TRUTH ABOUT ME.
I...
I CAME HERE TO GET SOMETHING VERY IMPORTANT.
SOMETHING IMPORTANT ...?
AND I'VE ALWAYS DRESSED LIKE THIS,
IT'S JUST THAT LAWRENCE IS A FOOL.
I JUST DIDN'T RECOGNIZE YOU!!

ARE YOU SURE I AM THE LIAR HERE? YOU SHOULDN'T HIDE YOUR TRUE SELF.
LYING... TO OTHERS...
I...
IF YOU REALLY TRUST EWAN,
THEN JUST SAY IT.
THAT YOU DON'T HAVE THE QUALIFICATIONS TO BE EMPEROR.

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